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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re New Utility Patent Application:

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For: New peptide antagonists at glutamate and NMDA receptors

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified new application, submitted concurrently herewith, as follows:

In the Abstract:

Please add an Abstract, on the following page.

ABSTRACT

Peptide antagonists of glutamate receptors and a subtype of glutamate receptors [NMDA (N-methyl-D-aspartate) receptors] influence glutamate receptor- and NMDA receptor-controlled cells, such as neurons or glial cells in the central nervous system; and can be used in the treatment of acute or chronic disorders of the central nervous system and the treatment of hypoxic, ischemic, and metabolic brain disorders.

In the Specification:

At page 1, before line 5, insert a new subtitle and paragraph, and a second new subtitle, to read as follows:

Cross-reference to related applications

This application is a continuation of pending Application No. 08/991,566, filed December 16, 1997; which is a continuation of Application No. 08/549,798, filed November 9, 1995, now US Patent No. 5,804,550. Application No. 08/549,798 is a 371 of PCT International Application No. PCT/SE94/00454, filed May 16, 19994. PCT International Application No. PCT/SE94/00454 claims the priority under 35 USC 119 of Swedish Application No. 9301667-3, filed May 14, 1993.

Field of the Invention

In the Claims:

Cancel claim 1.

Add new claims 27-29, to read as follows:

27. A method for the treatment of a brain condition associated with receptor-mediated excitatory effects, selected from the group consisting of hypoxic, ischemic, and metabolic brain disorders, brain injuries, and chronic degenerative brain states, comprising administering a peptide that acts as an antagonist of glutamate receptors in the central nervous system in an amount effective to prevent the excitatory effects.

- 28. The method of claim 27 where the peptide is (1-3) IGF-I.
- 29. The method of claim 27 where the condition is stroke.
- 30. The method of claim 28 where the condition is stroke.

REMARKS

Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested. No new matter is added by the amendment, as new claims 27-30 are fully supported by the application as originally filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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